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SUBJECT: GENEVA PROTOCOL OF 1925: CHEMICAL AND BACTERIO-
LOGICAL WEAPONS

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1. ON FEB. 12, EDMONDS OF FCO CALLED TO SAY THAT SOVIET
EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVE HAD CALLED ON HIM TO SAY THAT USSR
IS NOW READY TO DEPOSIT RATIFICATION OF GENEVA PROTOCOL.
SOVIETS SUGGEST SIMULTANEOUS CEREMONIES IN THE THREE CA-
PITALS.

2. EDMONDS SAID HE TOLD SOVIETS UK WOULD BE READY FOR
CEREMONY BY FEBRUARY 28 -- IN ORDER TO ACCOMPLISH RATI-
FICATION BEFORE MARCH 4 OPENING OF CCD.

3. SOVIETS AND UK THINKING OF RATHER GRAND CEREMONY
WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL OTHER SIGNATORIES AND RATI-
FIERS PRESENT IN EACH CAPITAL.

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4. UK EMBASSY WASHINGTON WILL COMMUNICATE WITH DEPART-

MENT TO BEGIN TO WORK OUT DETAILS OF CEREMONY.

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